



Flower of the Deep Sleep™

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Feeling guilty over her sister's choice to live in the world of dreams, Yuuki tries to redeem herself by lying to Ryuune—she tells him that she's in love with his brother, Ryuunosuke. Shocked and sad, Ryuune returns home, where he contemplates his childhood, which was burdened by the ability to read what's truly in people's hearts. Meanwhile, Ryuunosuke decides that he is the one destined for Yuuki...

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RYUNOSUKE

HE HAS THE MIRACULOUS POWER TO HEAL INJURIES TO A PERSON'S BODY AND SOUL. HE ARGUES CONSTANTLY WITH THE SARCASTIC YUUKI, BUT HE ALSO HAS A GENTLE SIDE. HE'S ALSO ONE OF YUUKI'S FIANCEES.

YUUKI

SHE HAS THE ABILITY TO LOOK INTO THE NEAR FUTURE IN HER DREAMS THROUGH HER "DREAM VISIONS." SHE BELIEVES SHE WAS GIVEN THIS POWER IN ORDER TO CHANGE UNHAPPY FUTURES.

YUUKI IS A JUNIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL WHO HAS THE POWER TO SEE A SHORT DISTANCE INTO THE FUTURE THROUGH HER DREAMS. WHEN TWO TRANSFER STUDENTS, BROTHERS RYUUNE AND RYUNOSUKE, SUDDENLY SHOW UP, THEY NOT ONLY HAVE MYSTERIOUS POWERS OF THEIR OWN, BUT THEY SAY THEY ARE EACH DESTINED TO BE YUUKI'S FIANCEE! ON THAT SAME DAY, YUUKI'S TWIN SISTER, YUUKA, FALLS INTO AN ENDLESS SLEEP, BUT THE CAUSE FOR THIS IS UNKNOWN. YUUKI AND THE BOYS TEAM UP TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF THIS SLEEP, AND THEY LEARN THAT YUUKA HAS CREATED HER OWN WORLD IN HER DREAMS WHERE SHE CAN ESCAPE THE HARSH REALITIES OF WAKING LIFE. YUUKA ALSO BELIEVES SHE'S IN LOVE WITH RYUUNE, BUT HER FEELINGS HAVEN'T BEEN RETURNED. IS THE DEEP SLEEP BETTER THAN REALITY?



YUUKA

YUUKI'S OLDER TWIN SISTER. WHEN SHE FOUND OUT THAT RYUUNE WAS A CHOICE FOR YUUKI'S FIANCEE, SHE WITHDREW INTO THE WORLD OF HER DREAMS WHERE NOTHING COULD HURT HER.

RYUUNE

HE HAS THE MYSTERIOUS POWER TO CATCH GLIMPSES OF PEOPLE'S DREAMS AND SEE THROUGH THEIR HEARTS. HE'S ALWAYS SMILING, BUT CAN BE SCARY WHEN HE SNAPS. HE'S RYUNOSUKE'S OLDER BROTHER. HE'S ALSO ONE OF YUUKI'S FIANCEES.





WHY...WHY DO YOU HAVE TO...



...SAY IT?



BECAUSE...

...I
WON'T
LIE.



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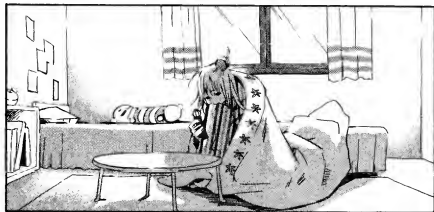
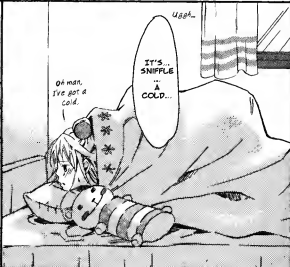
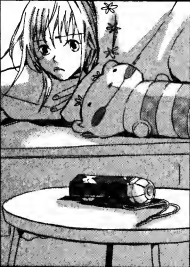
CHAPTER
THE SIXTH NIGHT

THE FLOWER OF
THE DEEP SLEEP



FOR
AS LONG
AS I CAN
REMEMBER
...I'VE
ALWAYS
...

...LIKED
YOU.







THIS IS
AWKWARD...



ERGH...

HEY!!
YUUKI!!



HUOA!!



GOOD
MORNING,
YUUKI.



HUH?



MORNING!

MORNING,
YUUKI.



OH!

YEAH...
I
GUESS...



HUH?
YOU'RE
ALONE
TODAY?



And I'd rather they be too small!

I CAN'T! YOURS ARE PROBABLY TOO BIG!



IT'S OKAY! I'LL BE MELLOW.

WHAT?! NO WAY!

What the hell is this all of a sudden!

LEND ME YOUR GYM CLOTHES!! I'M BEGGIN' YA!

OH!

Oh, there you are.

WH-WHAT?!



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USE MINE.

GWAAH!

GETTING ALONG AS ALWAYS...

RYUNOSUKE.

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO MY
SISTER?

I
LIKE...
RYUUNO-
SUKE!

AND AFTER
BEING TOLD
THAT THE ONE
PERSON SHE
LIKES WAS
HER OWN
SISTER'S
FIANCÉ!

IT WAS
BECAUSE
OF ME THAT
SHE WENT
THROUGH
SO MUCH!

SO
THERE'S
NOTHING
BETWEEN
YOU
AND ME
ANYMORE!

THEN WHY...?!

DON'T
THINK
I'D...

...HAND
YOU
OVER TO
RYUUNO-
SUKE.

UH...

WHY ARE YOU...

...SAYING THIS?!

I
LI...

I
LI...

I'M...

...SERIOUS,
YOU
KNOW...

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I
CAN
DO.

THIS
IS
ALL...

IT'S
NOT
YOU!

AND SO
THIS
IS THE
ONLY
THING I
CAN DO
NOW...

I NEVER
EVEN
NOTICED...

...THE
PAIN
IN MY
SISTER'S
HEART.

THE ONE
I LIKE IS
RYUUNO-
SUKE!!

WHAT
IS IT
ABOUT
HIM...

...THAT
YOU
LIKE?

WELL...
WHEN I'M
WITH HIM...
I FEEL
RELAXED.

WELL,
DUH,
THAT'S
HIS
POWER.

LISTEN!
WHERE
ARE YOU
GOING?!

HEY!
WAIT!

MY
SISTER...
JUST
KEPT IT
LOCKED
UP
INSIDE...



IF ONLY...I DIDN'T EXIST...

IF
ONLY...

...I
WEREN'T
HERE,
THEN THIS
WOULDN'T
HAVE
HAPPENED.



Was that
for real?

What...What the
hell was that
just now?

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7

RYUU...

I
DON'T
NEED
TO
HEAR
IT...

...
BECAUSE
I
ALREADY
KNOW.

IT'S
FINE.





COME ON, DEAR!
LET'S GO HOME.

ALL I DID WAS...
SPEAK THE TRUTH...

WEREN'T YOU...



THIS LITTLE BRAT SAYS HE HAS THE ABILITY TO LOOK INTO PEOPLE'S HEARTS?



...THE ONE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO TRUST?



I'M TELLING YOU, THAT'S A HORRIBLE POWER!

THAT'S...

...SOMETHING...

I KNOW ALL TOO WELL...



YUUKI...

YEAH... IF ONLY I DIDN'T EXIST...

YOU DID NOTHING WRONG.



YOU WERE THE ONE... WHO PUT LIGHT IN MY LIFE...



SHAPE UP! YOU LITTLE...

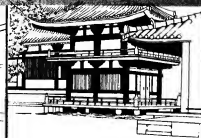


SINCE THE FIRST DAY...

...I MET YOU...



YOU PROBABLY DON'T REMEMBER BUT...





I DON'T
NEED THIS
POWER.

THE VOICES
ALWAYS
RUNNING
THROUGH MY
HEAD...



THANK
YOU
SO
MUCH!



WHY
DO I...

...HAVE TO
LIVE LIKE
THIS?



PLEASE
LEAVE
ME
ALONE.

RYU-
RYUUNE!
ARE YOU
OKAY?!



THIS
IS
THE
ONLY
WAY...

...I
CAN
LIVE.

YOUR
PITY...

...IS
MEANING-
LESS.



RYUUNE...

THAT
MUST BE...

OH. THAT'S
RIGHT. MOM
SAID WE'D
BE HAVING
GUESTS
OVER.

HM?

WHY
COULDN'T
I...

HAVING
THE
POWER
TO HEAL
PEOPLE.

...HAVE
THE
SAME
POWER?

I'M
HOME.

I WANTED
TO TALK
WITH HER
JUST A
LITTLE...

HMM...
JUST
AS I
THOUGHT,
SHE'S
ASLEEP.

...THE GIRL...
...WHO CAN SEE
INTO THE FUTURE...

...USING THE
FORESIGHT OF HER
DREAMS.

MAN,
I'M REALLY
LATE THIS
TIME.



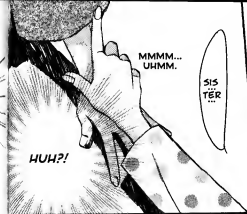
SIS
TER...



W-WHOA!
WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?!

I'VE
GOTTA
GET
OUTTA
HERE
FAST!

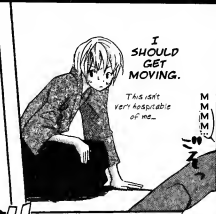
Says
only half
asleep!



MMMM...
UHMM.

SIS
TER...

HUH?!



I
SHOULD
GET
MOVING.

This isn't
very hospitable
of me...

M
M
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I
DON'T
NEED...

...THIS
KIND
OF...



OH...

...POWER.



WHOA
!!



!!!
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...THAT
EVERYTHING
HAS A
MEANING...

...IT'LL
ACTUALLY BE
LIKE THAT...

IF I REALLY
THINK THERE'S
NO MEANING,
THEN...

GRIP

AH!

I REALLY
BELIEVE...



IS IT
ALL RIGHT
IF I LOOK?

A LITTLE.

JUST A
LITTLE.

I WANT
TO SEE.



I DON'T
EVEN
WANT
THIS
KIND OF
POWER



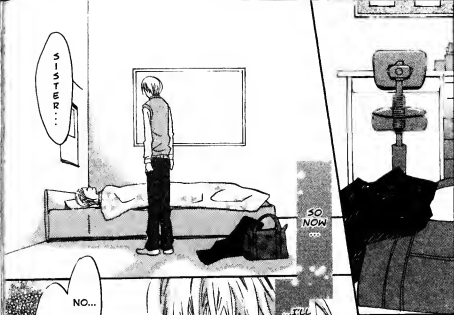
BUT...

...THIS
POWER
IS...

...FOR
CHANGING
THE
FUTURE.

IF
ONLY I
COULD
JUST
PRETEND
NOT TO
SEE.

IF ONLY
I DIDN'T
HAVE THIS
POWER!!





LET THE SWEET FRAGRANCE PIERCE YOUR HEART.

WHY
CAN'T
WE
JUST
STAY
HERE?

I
CAME
TO
TAKE
YOU
BACK!

NO!
IT'S
NOT
THAT!

PAIN IS...

...LIKE SWEET HONEY.

HOW
ABOUT...
YOU
JUST
FORGET
IT ALL?

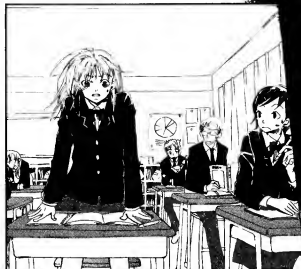
WHAT'S
SO
FUNNY?

ARE
YOU
SERIOUS?

TAKE
ME...

...BACK?

WELL...



IS-IS
SOMETHING
THE
MATTER,
YUUKI?

Is she
half asleep,
again?

BECAUSE...

COME
ON!
EVERY-
ONE...

...OVER
THERE...

...THERE
IS NO
COMFORT...

FREE YOURSELF...

...OF YOUR HEAVY BODIES...



AND
THERE
WAS
MORE!
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF IT
ALL...

IN
THE
MIDDLE
OF IT...

I
DREAMT
THAT...
SO
MANY...
SO MANY
PEOPLE
WERE
ASLEEP!

A
DREAM!
I HAD
A DREAM!!

HUH
?!



HEY!
WAIT
JUST
A
MINUTE!

WH-
WHAT'S
WRONG?

RYUUNOSUKE!

WHAT DO
I DO,
RYUUNO-
SUKE?!

WH-
WHAT
DO I
DO?!



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CHAP 7 TER
THE SEVENTH NIGHT

The flower of the deep sleep

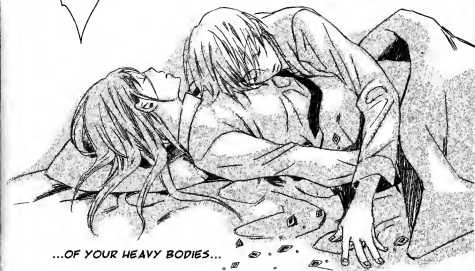


COME ON...

FREE YOURSELF...

...RYUUNE
WAS...

RYUUNE
WAS
THERE!!



...OF YOUR HEAVY BODIES...

* THE SIXTH NIGHT *
THE END

HEY!
WAIT UP!!

YUUKI
?!

WHAT'S
THE
MATTER
WITH
YOU?!
YUUKI!!

IT'S
MY
FAULT!

IT'S
ALL
MY
FAULT!

BRO!!

BRO!!

IT'S...

SHIT...

IT'S
ALL
MY
FAULT.

DO
YOU
MEAN
THAT
EVEN
MY
BROTHER
HAS
FALLEN
UNDER
THE
SLEEP?

IS
THIS
FOR
REAL?



IF IT HAD BEEN ANY WORSE, YOU'D BE DEAD.

QUITE A MESS YOU GOT YOURSELF INTO THIS TIME.

ANYWAY!

RYUUNOSUKE?

IT'D HAVE BEEN BETTER IF I'D JUST DIED...

IF I DID, THEN MY SISTER COULD WAKE UP.

AND THEN RYUUNE... AND THE OTHERS...

...EVERYONE... EVERYONE COULD WAKE UP!

HEY.

STILL...

SO SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE FOR A WHILE.

SHE TOOK A PRETTY HARD BLOW TO THE HEAD...

A LITTLE REST IS ALL SHE NEEDS.



ONCE
THEY'RE
ASLEEP,
IT'S TOO
LATE.



BUT IT'S
NOT LIKE
IT'LL
HELP.

YOUR
MOM
SAID THAT
SHE WAS
WORRIED
ABOUT
HER,
SO SHE
HAD HER
BROUGHT
HERE...



I...

I-I...

IDIOT
?!

YOU'RE
NOT
MAKING
ANY
SENSE!



ERGH!!



...YOUR
SISTER...

...DON'T
BELIEVE
THAT...

...REALLY
HATED
YOU.



AH!
IT'S MY
BROTHER
AND
YOUR
SISTER.

HUH?
WH-
WHAT'S
HAPPEN-
ING?



EXCUSE
US.



I'LL
USE MY
POWERS.

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN
YOU HAVE
AN IDEA?

PEOPLE
WITH PAINFUL
AND
OVERWHELMING
SAD
FEELINGS...

YOU
SAID IT
YOURSELF.

WHAT'RE
YOU
PLANNING
TO DO?

...ARE
BROUGHT
TO THE
WORLD OF
SLEEP.

...I
SHOULD
RELIEVE
THOSE
FEELINGS.

IF THAT'S
SO, THEN
WITH MY
POWERS...



WH-
WHAT'RE
YOU
DOING?!

What's
"fine"?

I HAVE
AN
IDEA.



I TOLD
YOU!
IT'LL
BE FINE,
YUUKI!



JUST
LEAVE
IT TO
ME.





OH, IT'S NOTHING.

I'M FINE.



HEY YOU ...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?



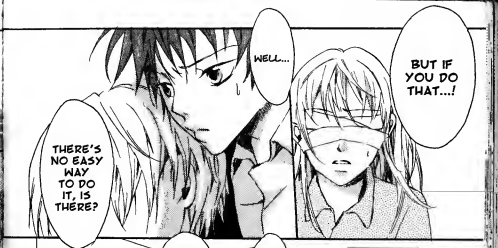
IS THAT SO?

AH... THAT'S THE KID WHO'S BEEN COMING HERE EVERY DAY.



AH.

WHERE DOES IT HURT?



WELL...

BUT IF YOU DO THAT...!

THERE'S NO EASY WAY TO DO IT, IS THERE?



It's been a cold year.

AND IT'S STILL ONLY FALL.

BRR... IT'S SO COLD.

I'LL PUT IN AS MUCH ENERGY AS I CAN.



HEY...

SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH THAT KID.

H A H H

H A H H

CRASH

FOR SOME STRANGE REASON...
...HE SEEMS TO GROW WEAKER AND WEAKER EVERY DAY...





RESTROOM

DARN...

JUST AS I
THOUGHT

I MUST BE
EXHAUSTING
MY
POWERS...



UGH...

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ARE YOU
OKAY?
YOU'RE
SO DOWN.



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I'M
JUST A
LITTLE
TIRED IS
ALL.

YOU
IDIOT!
I'VE
BEEN
COMING
HERE
EVERY
DAY,
HAVEN'T
I?



S-
SORRY...

AW...

OH, NO!
MY
LUNCH!



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OH...
RIGHT...
TAKES...

ANYWAY,
I'LL GO
GET YOU
ANOTHER
MEAL.



...I'LL
HELP
YOU
REMEMBER.

AFTER
ALL,
IT IS
THAT
POWER...

THAT...
POWER?

IF
YOU'VE
FOR-
GOTTEN...

WH...
WHAT
IS
THIS?!

HOW
DOES
SHE
KNOW?!

YOU!

IT'S
YUUKI'S
SISTER!

EVEN
THOUGH...

...YOU
SHOULD
USE THAT
POWER...

WHOA!

NO
MATTER
HOW LONG
YOU KEEP
IT UP, IT'S
USELESS.

IT'S
FUTILE,
YOU
KNOW.



SO?



YOU'D
LOSE
YOUR
MEMORY!

WHY?
BECAUSE
IT'S NOT
ALLOWED!

EVERYTHING
UP UNTIL
THIS POINT
WOULD...



I COULD
LIVE
WITHOUT
MY
MEMORIES.



IT'S
USELESS!

HOW
CAN A
PERSON
LIKE ME
TRUST
ANYBODY
ANYWAY?

ALL I
CAN
REMEMBER
ARE THE
BAD TIMES.

THEY'RE
JUST IN
THE WAY.



YEAH.
USE
THAT
POWER!



I CAN'T
USE
THAT
POWER!

YOU
DUMMY!
THINK
ABOUT
WHAT
YOU'RE
SAYING!

WHY
NOT?



HUH?

THEN
THAT
WAY...

...I
WON'T
THINK
OF
JUMPING.



WE DIDN'T
KNOW THAT
13 YEARS
WORTH OF
MEMORIES...

...DIDN'T
KNOW IT.

BACK THEN,
WE BOTH...

I
UNDER-
STAND.

...COULD
BE SO
HEAVY.

WE COULD NEVER FLY TO THE SKY...



MARIKO
?!

MARIKO
?!



I...

...DON'T
WANT TO BE
LIKE
THIS!

I HATE
THIS!
I JUST
WANT
TO RUN
AWAY
FROM IT
ALL!



EVEN
YOUR
HEALING
POWER...



...WOULDN'T
BE
ENOUGH!!



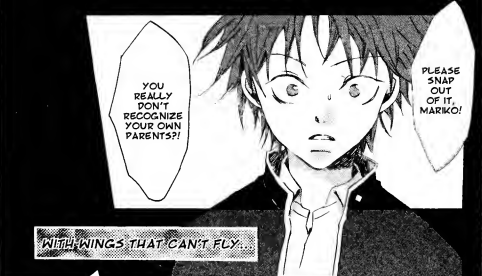
I COMMITTED THE GRAVEST CRIME...



...MY
SISTER.

GIVE
BACK...

AAAH!!



YOU
REALLY
DON'T
RECOGNIZE
YOUR OWN
PARENTS?!

PLEASE
SNAP
OUT
OF IT,
MARIKO!

WITH WINGS THAT CAN'T FLY...



MA...

...RIKO?

THAT'S
MY
NAME?

WITH A COMPLETELY
EMPTY HEART...



THIS
CAN'T
BE!
MARIKO
!!

DON'T
PLAY
SUCH A
MEAN
TRICK!!

WITH A MOUNTAIN OF SORROWS...



YUUKI !!

YUUKI !!

AS WE
SPEAK,
YUUKI IS
GOING TO
THE SLEEP
WORLD...



IT
CAN'T
BE!
THERE'S
NO
WAY...



SHE'S
FINE.



VERY
SOON,
SHE'LL
FALL
ASLEEP.

BUT
SOON...



YUUKI
!!



HOW
WAS
IT?

DID
YOU
REMEM-
BER?

THAT JUST
NOW...
WAS A DREAM?!

IT'S A
FANTASTIC
POWER,
ISN'T IT?

WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?



BECAUSE...

IT'S
A POWER
THAT CAN
RESCUE
YUUKI.



YUUKI...

...WON'T
LOSE?



IS
THAT
SO?

SHE'S
ALREADY
AT THE
MAX.



FOOL...



SHE'LL
NEVER
GO TO
THE
SLEEP
WORLD!!

YUUKI
WON'T
LOSE!



BUT
THERE
IS ONE
WAY...

...TO KEEP
HER FROM
SLEEPING.



IF YOU
CAN'T DO
THAT...

...SHE'LL
BE
FOREVER
PULLED
INTO THE
PEACEFUL
SLEEP
WORLD...



IF YOU
ERASE HER
GLOOMY
AND COLD
MEMORIES...

...YOU'LL
BE
GETTING
RID OF HER
REASONS
FOR
SLEEPING.



**D
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I
T!**

I'M SORRY...



I'M SORRY, YUUKI...



I DON'T
WANT
TO HAVE
TO DO
SOMETHING
LIKE
THAT
AGAIN!

I
TOLD
YOU
ALREADY
...

I DON'T
HAVE TO
ERASE HER
MEMORIES!!



WELL,
THEN...

...YOU'RE
GOING TO
LET YUUKI
CONTINUE
SLEEPING
LIKE THIS?



THAT...

THAT'S
NOT...

BECAUSE
THE
TRUTH IS,
THERE WAS
NOTHING
I COULD
PROTECT...

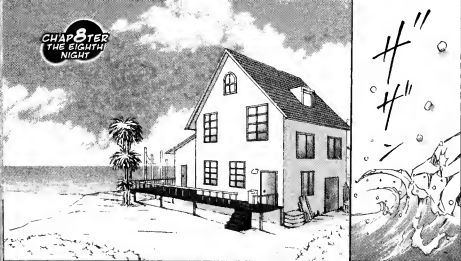
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THIS
IS ALL
...

...
I
CAN
DO
...



AFTER ALL...





THERE WAS NOTHING I COULD DO...

* THE SEVENTH NIGHT * THE END



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CHAP 8 TER
THE EIGHTH NIGHT

The flower of the Deep Sleep

...ALL SHE
HAS WAITING
FOR HER
IS A SAD
REALITY...

SO HAVE
YOU COME
HERE FOR
MEDICAL
TREATMENT?

INDEED.
SHE'S
FORGOTTEN
JUST ABOUT
EVERYTHING.

EVEN IF
SHE DID
REMEMBER...

AT FIRST,
I HAD
PLANNED
ON DOING
THAT...

BUT...

...I THOUGHT
IT MIGHT
BE BETTER
THIS WAY.

HUH
?



WHATEVER
WE
BELIEVE
WILL
COME
TRUE.

WE'RE
GOING
TO THE
LAND OF
DREAMS,
WHERE
THERE IS
NOTHING
THAT CAN
HURT US.

WE'LL
TAKE OFF
FROM THE
BEACH...

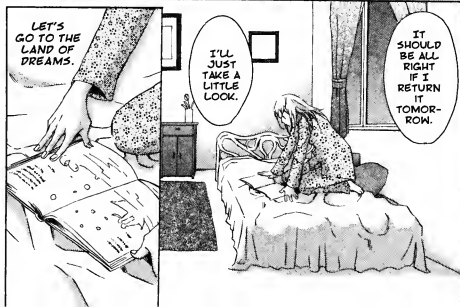
WE CAN
GO ON
THAT
RICKETY
BOAT.



LET'S
GO TO THE
LAND OF
DREAMS.

I'LL
JUST
TAKE A
LITTLE
LOOK.

IT
SHOULD
BE ALL
RIGHT
IF I
RETURN
IT
TOMOR-
ROW.



Eee!!

Ha ha ha!
Coooo!!

HUH?

HOW
AM I
SUPPOSED
TO FIND
THEM?

It's an
unhappy book.
It's a sad book.

I'M
GOING
TO
GIVE
THIS
BACK
RIGHT
NOW!

AH!
THERE
THEY
ARE!

HUH?
NOW,
WHERE'S
THE OTHER
ONE?

WHAT'S
THIS?

IT'S
HAPPENING
AGAIN.

I'M
CRYING
AGAIN.

PLEASE,
DON'T BE
AFRAID TO
REMEMBER...

THOSE
TEARS ARE
CONNECTED TO
ALL THE MANY
"IMPORTANT
THINGS" THAT
YOU FORGOT.

I DON'T
WANT TO
REMEMBER!

NO!
I'M
SCARED!

I'M
SCARED!





JUST
BE
QUIET...

I
THOUGHT
YOU
KNEW
THIS!

MEGUMI
CAN'T
PLAY
WITH
NORMAL
CHILDREN!

IF
SHE'S SO
IMPORTANT...

...THEN
WHY
DON'T
YOU
KEEP
HER
ON A
LEASH?!

HI-
HIROMI
!!

MEGUMI!

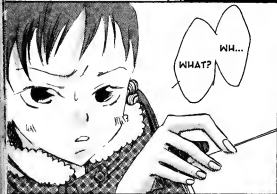


DIDN'T
I TELL
YOU
NOT TO
LEAVE
THE
HOUSE
TODAY
?!

HOW
COULD
YOU LET
THIS
HAPPEN
?!

HIROMI
!!

HONEY!
HONEY,
WAIT A
MINUTE!
THERE'S
NO NEED
TO HIT
HER!



WHAT?

WH...

HUH?
I WAS
MEANING
TO GIVE IT
BACK TO
YOU...

You
dropped it
yesterday

YEAH!
WHAT'RE
YOU
DOING
WITH IT?



...TO
SAY
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT.

IT
WASN'T
VERY
NICE OF
YOU...



ALWAYS!
ALWAYS!
ALWAYS!

THEY
ALWAYS
DO THIS!
THEY NEVER
LISTEN
WHEN I
SAY WE'RE
GOING OUT
TO PLAY!



SHUT
UP!
WHAT'S
IT TO
YOU?!



...THE
LAND
OF
DREAMS
?

DO YOU
WANT TO
GO TO...



HUH?
OH...
THIS?

HEY,
WAIT A
MINUTE!
THAT
BOOK!
ISN'T
THAT
MINE?!

SO
THAT'S
HOW
IT IS.



THE
LAND
OF
DREAMS...

W-
WAIT
A
MINUTE!

YOU
CAN'T
DO
THIS!

WHY?

...IS A
PLACE
FREE
OF...

...PAINFUL
AND
SAD
THINGS...

WE'RE
GOING TO
BE LATE...

COME
ON...

B-BUT!

I ALREADY
CUT THE
ROPE...

HIRO...

...MI?

OH.

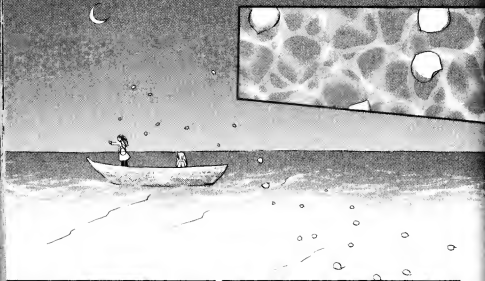
YOU'RE
AWAKE.

HIROMI...
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

WE'RE
OFF...

...TO THE
LAND OF
DREAMS...



THIS
BOAT
BOBS
ALONG
MERRILY...

WHEN
NIGHT
FALLS,
THE
OCEAN'S
WATER
REACHES
ITS PEAK.

...NOW
WAS
THE TIME
I COULD
GO...

AH...I
THOUGHT...



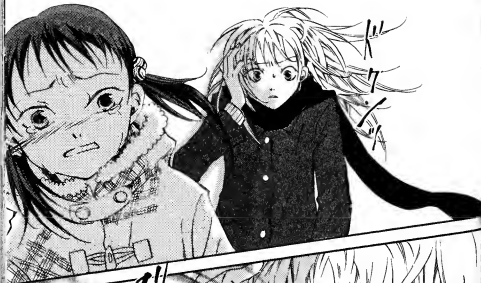
THEY
HAVE
NO
REASON
TO BE
WORRIED.

EVERYONE
MUST BE
WORRIED
SICK
ABOUT
YOU!

HEY!
TURN
THE
BOAT
AROUND!

...
WOR-
RIED?





WHAT?

SISTER...?

RYUUNE?
RYUUNOSUKE?

WHAT IS THIS?

THE
LAND OF
DREAMS?

I DON'T
WANT IT!
I'M
SCARED!!

SISTER
!!
DON'T
GO TO
THE
LAND OF
DREAMS
!!

SISTER!!

SISTER!!

ME-
MEGUMI!!!

YOU IDIOT!
YOU
SHOULDN'T
BE GOING
INTO THE
WATER!





AND
MEGUMI
!!

TH-THAT'S
RIGHT!
GRANDPA,
HOW'S
HIROMI?



THAT'S
RIGHT...
I WAS
SAVED...

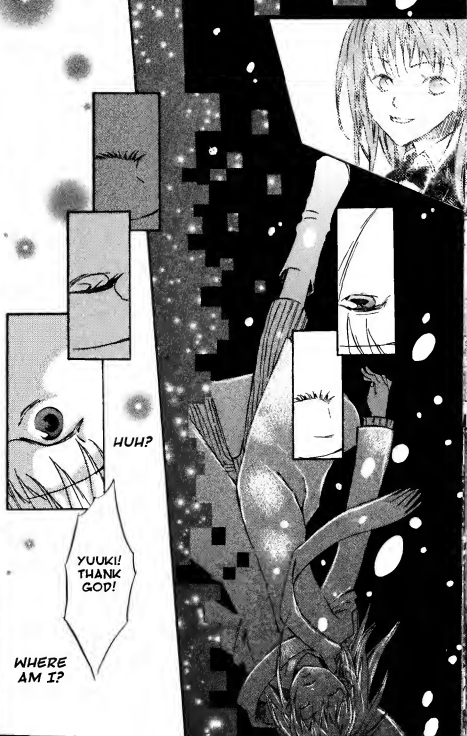
I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
I WOULD
HAVE DONE
IF YOU
DIDN'T
WAKE UP...



OH...
THEY'RE
BOTH
JUST
FINE.



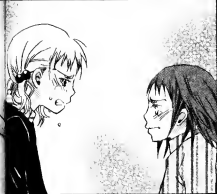
SIS...



HUH?

YUUKI!
THANK
GOD!

WHERE
AM I?



I ALSO...
HAVE
SOMETHING
TO TELL
YOU...

GRANDPA...

I WON'T
KEEP
TRYING
TO FORCE
YOU TO
REMEMBER.

I'VE
DONE
YOU
WRONG...

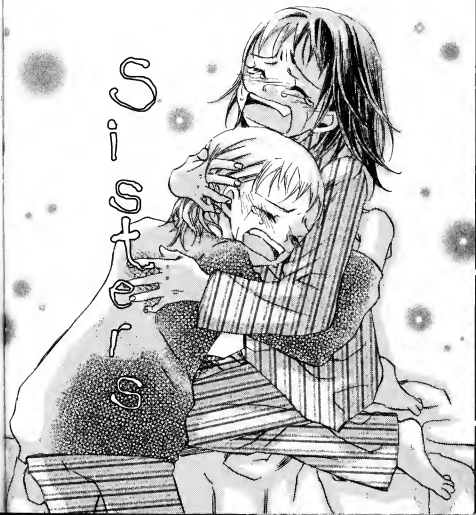
I...

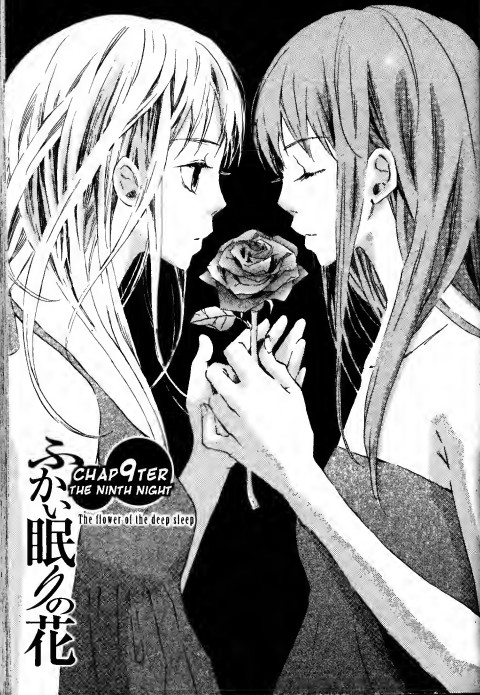
...WON'T
RUN AWAY
ANYMORE.

I'M GOING
TO DO
WHAT I
HAVE TO.

I'M GOING
TO BE
BRAVE...

IT'S
OKAY...





ふか
眠りの花

CHAP9TER
THE NINTH NIGHT

The flower of the deep sleep

I'M
GOING
TO
WAKE
UP
EVERY-
ONE!

I'M
GOING
TO WAKE
UP MY
SISTER!

AND
THEN
I'M
GOING
TO TELL
HER.

I'LL TELL HER...

...THAT I LOVE HER.

* THE EIGHTH NIGHT *
THE END









IF
ONLY I
COULD...

IF
ONLY...

HOW ON
EARTH...

...TALK
WITH MY
SISTER...

HUH
?

IT'S
HARD NOT
HAVING
YOU GUYS
HERE...

...
WHAT
HE
TOLD
ME?

...
CAN
I
DO
...

THIS
IS...

THIS
IS
SO...

IT
MUST
BE...

THE
KALEIDO-
SCOPE IS
LIGHTING
UP!

HOW
DID
IT
...?!

WHAT?

WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN?

WHAT THE...?

THIS IS...

HOW
DID I
GET
INTO
THIS
WORLD
?!
★

AND
TO TOP
IT ALL
OFF,
I'M IN
IT?!
★

WH-
WHAT
THE?!
★

Oh
man...

ALL
I DID WAS
LOOK
INTO THE
KALEIDOSCOPE!

WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
DOING,
YUUKI!

HUH?

...TO
ERASE...

AND
AFTER
ALL MY
EFFORTS...

...YOUR
MEMORIES.





...PARA-
DISE...

...THAT
IS.

TO
THIS...



...
WELCOME
YOU.

BUT,
I...

RYUUNE?

...REALITY.

I CAN
DO
AWAY
WITH
THINGS
LIKE...

WITH YOU
HERE, ALL
MY PAIN
DISAPPEARS.



RYUUNOSUKE?!

RYUUNE?!



...DIDN'T
WANT
YOU TO
BE ABLE
TO COME
HERE.

...SKUUNOUCUVR

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN YOU
ERASED MY
MEMORIES?

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

I GOT
IT! THIS
PLACE
MUST
BE...



SISTER!

...AS
BEAUTIFUL
AS
ALWAYS!

I SEE
YOU'RE...

IS IT
SO BAD
IF HE
DOES
BELIEVE
IT?

IF YOU
ALSO
KNEW...



...YOU
WOULDN'T
BE ABLE TO
ESCAPE THE
DEEP SLEEP.

...THE
TRUTH OF
YOUR
SITUATION...



YOU
DON'T
ACTUALLY
BELIEVE
ALL THAT,
DO YOU?!

YOU
DON'T
ACTUALLY
THINK
THAT'S
GOOD,
DO YOU?!

THIS
ISN'T
LIKE
YOU,
RYUUNE!

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
YOU?!
WHAT
ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!





IT'S
A LIE.

IT'S THE
FATE OF
THOSE WHO
POSSESS
THE
POWER OF
FORESIGHT
THROUGH
DREAMS.

IT'S
NO LIE.



YOU
MUST BE
SCARED...

SO HOW'S
IT FEEL?
YOU
SCARED?



...THAT IS
IRRELEVANT.

BUT
HERE...



THIS IS MY PARADISE.



THIS
GIRL
IS
FATED
TO DIE
AT 20...

PROTECT
THIS...

SHE
DOESN'T
DESERVE
PROTECTION.



DIE...AT 20?

WHAT?



JUST...
STOP
IT.

STOP...
IT...



RYUU...NOSUKE...?

WHAT
IS
THIS?!
LET
GO OF
ME!!



SO WILL
YOU STAY
IN MY
PARADISE
NOW?



YUUKI.

WHAT
WILL
YOU
DO?



...YOU
COULD
JUST DIE
RIGHT
HERE.

BUT IF
YOU'D
PREFER
OTHER-
WISE
...



RYUUNE...RYUUNOSUKE...



RYUUNOSUKE...

HE'S RIGHT.

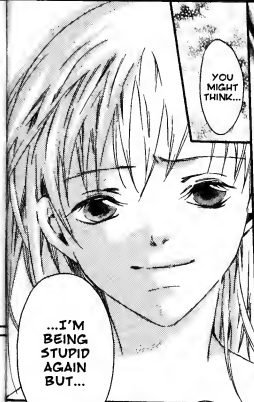
GET UP!
GET UP
NOW !!



...
SISTER
...

LET'S
GO
HOME...

THAT'S
WHY I
CAN'T
GIVE UP
ON MY
SISTER...



YOU
MIGHT
THINK...

...I'M
BEING
STUPID
AGAIN
BUT...



SISTER!



I...!!

I
WON'T
GIVE
UP!!

I CAN
HANDLE
ANYTHING
YOU
THROW
MY WAY!

...I'M
FINE
WITH
IT.

IT'S
OKAY.



I
CAN'T!!

I
CAN'T
LIVE
LIKE
YOU!

Sis...

SISTER
?!



WHAT
IS
THIS?



YOU
AND I
AREN'T
THE
SAME!

I
DON'T
WANT
THIS.

SISTER?



SISTER?



WHAT?



I...

I...

I HATE
MYSELF!!!

ふか
眠りの花

THE FINAL
NIGHT

The flower of the deep sleep



MY SISTER...

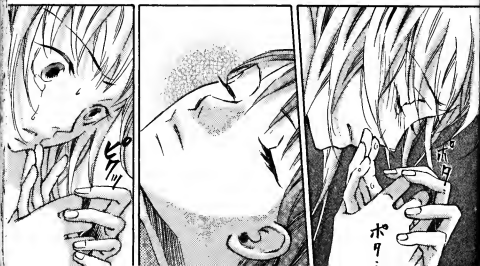


I...



I HATE MYSELF...

* THE NINTH NIGHT * THE END





SI...
SISTER
?!
//
//



WHERE
AM I?

WHERE...



SI...
SISTER
?!
//
//



SISTER
!!!
//
//

SIS...









I'M WEAK !!

BECAUSE I'M WEAK!

EVEN SO...

IT'S THE SAME FOR EVERYONE ELSE TOO...

...I CAN TAKE IT!!!

WHAT IS THIS?

IF YOU'D JUST LISTEN TO ME...
I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!

YOU ARE NOT WEAK!!!



YUUKI...

SISTER !!



WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST LEAVE ME BE?!

WHY WON'T YOU LEAVE ME ALONE?



HERE I HAVE TO DEAL WITH PAIN...
DEAL WITH AGONY!

THIS ISN'T WHERE I BELONG!



IF YOU
DON'T,
THEN
YOU
CAN'T...

...LIVE
ALONE.



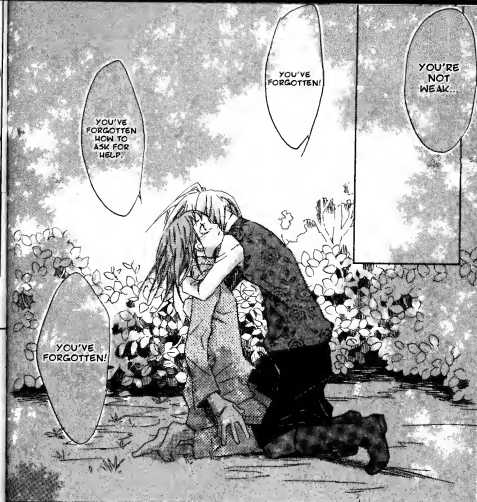
FINE,
THEN!

DON'T
GO
SAYING
THAT
AGAIN!!

BUT...

I...
I...

JUST
KEEP
YOUR
DOWNER
ATTITUDE!

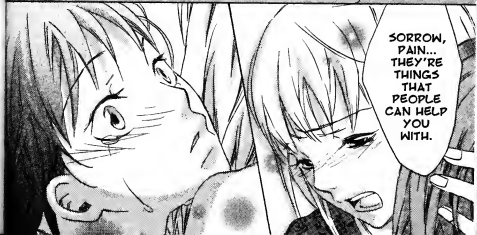


YOU'VE
FORGOTTEN
HOW TO
ASK FOR
HELP

YOU'VE
FORGOTTEN!

YOU'RE
NOT
WEAK...

YOU'VE
FORGOTTEN!



SORROW,
PAIN...
THEY'RE
THINGS
THAT
PEOPLE
CAN HELP
YOU
WITH.



MY BAD...

SO-
SORRY...

7
7
7
7



Grass
hideout...



BUT IT'S
OKAY,
ISN'T IT?

SO-
SORRY.



AND
WHENEVER
YOU
COULDN'T
HANDLE
THE STRESS,
YOU'D JUST
SPACE OUT
IN THE GRASS
HIDEOUT
IN THE
BACKYARD!

YOU ALWAYS
DID
GO AND STAY
IN YOUR BED
WHEN THINGS
WEREN'T
GOING YOUR
WAY!



STOP IT
ALREADY!
I DON'T
WANNA
HEAR
FROM
"MISS
OPTIMISTIC"!

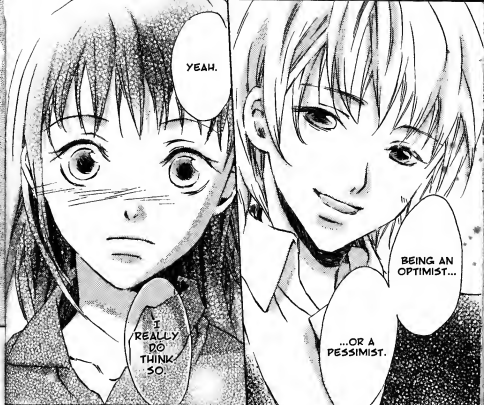
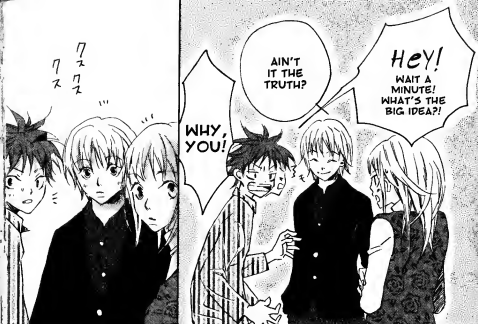
AND HOW
ABOUT YOUR
HABIT OF
PUTTING
YOUR NAME
ON THINGS IN
THE FRIDGE
WITH A
MARKER!



7
7
7
7

Are you
talking
about me?

OP...
OPTIMISTIC
?!



...WHY WE
DIDN'T
GET THIS
OUT IN
THE OPEN
IN THE
FIRST
PLACE...

WHY I
RAN
AWAY...

I WAS
JUST
WONDERING...

IT'S
JUST
THAT
I'M
REALLY
TIRED.

I'M
SORRY.
IT'S
NOT
WHAT
YOU
THINK.

グスッ

YUUKA...

WHAT,
THE?!

THIS
TIME
AROUND...

DON'T
YOU
THINK
YOU
SHOULD
DO THAT?

THAT'S
RIGHT,
SIS!

Was it
something
I said?

SISTER!!!



HUH?

IT'S WARM...



YUUKI...

EVEN
THOUGH
IT'S
WINTER,
I FEEL
WARM...

SINCE IT'S A GOLD WINTER... I CAN FEEL THE WARMTH.



COME
ON! OPEN
YOUR
EYES!



LET'S
GO
HOME.



GET
UP!



WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

HOW CAN
YOU SAY
THAT WHEN
WE BOTH HAVE
THE SAME
ACCESSORY?

IS THAT
SUPPOSED
TO BE A
COMPLIMENT?

SIS...

WE LOOK
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT.

I LOOK
A
BETTER WITH
ACCESSORIES.



Oh!

RYUUNE!!

RYUUNE!!

Prime

YUKI!!!

Is
that
SOP?

!!!



WOW!!
YUUKI
YOU
LOOK
GREAT!!

I
THINK
I...

WITH
MY
EYES
CLOSED

NEVER
NOTICED
HER
BEFORE

THOSE
CLOTHES
WOULD
FIT A
JOCKEY!

IT MUST
BE THAT
SHE STILL
DOESN'T
KNOW.

THAT'S
RIGHT
...

...HOW
SHE
WAS
SAVED.

MAYBE
SHE STILL
DOESN'T
KNOW...

I WONDER
WHERE THAT
CONFIDENCE
COMES
FROM...

*Surprising
confidence...*

YOU
SHOULD'VE
SEEN HIM
JUMP INTO
THE CAR.

HIS
COMING-
OF-AGE
CELEBRATION
ALREADY
ENDED?

That was Fast.

OF COURSE
I'M ALIVE!
I JUST
TALKED TO
YOU ON THE
PHONE THIS
MORNING.
DIDN'T I?

Deranged

A-ARE YOU
ALL RIGHT?!
IS IT
ACTUALLY
YOU,
YUUKI?!
YOU'RE
REALLY
ALIVE?!

AND SHE
DOESN'T
EVEN
REALIZE...

...HER
OWN
FEELINGS...

THOSE WHO POSSESS THE
POWER OF FORESIGHT
THROUGH DREAMS...

...ARE SAVED BY THEIR TRUE LOVE

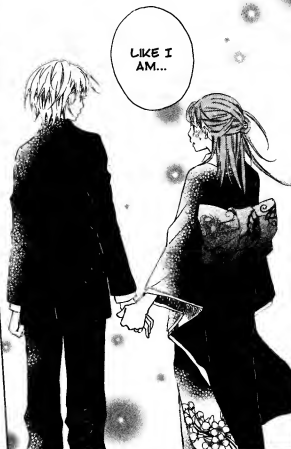
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STUBBORN?

PFFT.
STUBBORN
AS
ALWAYS.

DIDN'T I
ALREADY
TELL
YOU...

...THAT THE
WHOLE
"LIVING UNTIL
20" THING
DOESN'T
APPLY TO ME
ANymore?



LIKE I
AM...

BUT
I'M
GLAD...

THAT'S
TRUE...



ACTUALLY...

YOU'RE
RIGHT.

WHAT
ARE YOU
LAUGHING
ABOUT?



THAT'S
NO GOOD.
YOU HAVE
TO BE
MORE
HONEST.

...THE TRUTH
IS, IT'S
KIND OF
REGRETTABLE...

HUH?!

Sir--!
SISTER!!



DO YOU
REMEMBER...
THIS?

HEY,
YUUKI...

MAN,
I AM
EXHAUSTED!

Good thing
I opted to skip
the next two
meetings.

HUH?



OH!



HOW
COULD I
FORGET?

Man that
brings back
memories...

GOOD?
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN
GOOD?!

カラッ

GOOD.
NOW IT
SHOULD BE
COMPLETELY
EMPTY.



LET'S PUT
IN BEADS
FOR THE
NUMBER OF
TIMES
YOU
CHANGE
THE
FUTURE.

SISTER
...

BUT
STARTING
TODAY,
LET'S
PUT YOUR
SMILING
FACE IN
INSTEAD.

ALL
THE
BEADS
IN IT...

IT'S
OKAY.

ARE YOU SURE
ABOUT THAT?
ISN'T THAT
KALEIDOSCOPE
IMPORTANT?

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY,
YUUKI!!!

...FIRST
WE'LL
PUT
IN ONE
BEAD.

AND
SO...

HUH?

THEY
WERE
TEARS.

WHENEVER
SAD
THINGS
HAPPEN...

...THE
BEADS...

ONE
TEAR...

ONE
SINGLE...

...TEAR...
...TO
BEGIN...

...
COLLECTED
IN
HERE...

...CONTAINED...

BUT YOU
PROBABLY
THINK THE
SAME THING
ABOUT ME.



Kick
The
Kitty